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$$Q \xrightarrow{R_1} O \xrightarrow{R_4} Y \xrightarrow{A} (I)$$

(57) Abstract: Compounds of formula (I) have antibacterial activity, wherein Q represents -N(OH)CH(=O) or -C(=O)NH(OH); Y represents -C(=O)-, -C(=S)-, -S(=O)-, or -SO₂-; R₁ represents hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl or C1-C6 alkyl substituted by one or more halogen atoms, or, except when Q is a radical of formula -N(OH)CH(=O), a hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₁-C₆ alkenyloxy, halogen, amino, C₁-C₆ alkyl-S-C₁-C₃ alkyl) amino group; R₂ represents a substituted or unsubstituted C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₃ alkyl-O-C₁-C₃ alkyl-C₁-C₃ alkyl-S-C₁-C₃ alkyl-C₁-C₃ alkyl-

